

## HOGS WERE STEADY

Shipments Light and Buying Quite Active.

TOP PRICE WAS \$4.50

Fat Steers Brought \$4.60—Market Strong.

Yesterday was an unusually active day in the market and most of the receipts were bought as soon as unloaded. While the prices were steady with Monday's market, there was no slack in business. The best price given yesterday for hogs was \$4.50 and the bulk of the sales were at \$4.40 to \$4.50.

The demand was slightly weak, but the receipts were light and furnished just about what was needed by the buyers to fill orders. Kansas City quoted hogs a little higher and other points were strong.

Cattle prices were higher yesterday and other markets were buying at strong to higher. Fat steers brought \$4.60 and several good loads were sold at this figure.

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Osthoff & Heffner, of Sterling; H. D. race, of Chaney; G. R. Smith, of Pratt; H. B. and B. of Leland; J. P. Turner, of Garden Plain; William H. B. of Blackwell; Hugh Johnston, of Braham; J. M. J. of Haven; W. Griffith, of Belle Plaine, and G. W. Heter, of Peabody.

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## WHEAT GAINS A CENT

Contract Stock on Hand Smallest of Year.

CORN AND OATS LOWER

Provisions Firm with Fractional Advance.

Chicago, May 17.—With only four car loads of wheat expected to arrive in Chicago tomorrow, official figures today showed that contract stocks here are the smallest in ten years. As a result the July delivery closed with a gain of 1c. Corn is down 1c. Oats are off 1c. Provisions show an advance of 1/16c.

From the start the scare connected with the exhaustion of the contract wheat supply was uppermost in the minds of traders. Initial sales were made at a substantial advance, July being up 1/16c. The market was firm and steady, with the official figures as to the contract stocks here, while showing a small increase compared with a week ago, gave the total amount on hand here as only 60,000 bushels. Estimates of future daily receipts exhibited no promise of any alleviation of the scarcity. From the standpoint of the short seller, the situation was alarming. Under the circumstances there was quite active covering throughout the entire day. Shorts received little help from the weekly government report. Allowing that the growing crop is progressing favorably, the report stated that conditions in the Ohio valley are poor and that rainy weather has interfered materially with seedling operation. During the latter part of the day there were some purchases made on a decrease of 3,800,000 bushels in Bradstreet's world's visible supply. The market continued to be lower, at 25c, until within the last hour, when a slight reaction occurred on profit-taking. After selling up to 25c, it closed at 24c. Clearances of wheat and flour were quiet to 12c. Local receipts were 19,000 bushels, compared with 23,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported 100,000 bushels of wheat cars last week and 150 cars a year ago.

A bearish government report and generally favorable weather had a depressing effect on the market. The report indicated the strength of wheat. July opened unchanged to 1/16c higher, at 24c, and closed at 23c. Local receipts were 11 cars, with 4 cars to contract grade.

Oats were inclined to weakness, mainly on account of profit taking by some big operators. After opening unchanged to 1c lower, at 25c, it closed at 24c. Local receipts were 12 cars.

Provisions were firm on a moderate demand from packers with only light offerings. Small receipts of hogs and higher prices at the yards were built factors. July pork closed with a gain of 1c, at 11c. Lard and ribs were each up 1c, at 16c and 15c.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 4 cars; corn, 30 cars; oats, 17 cars; hogs, 25,000 head; flour, 100,000 barrels.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

crease compared with a week ago, gave the total amount on hand here as only 280,000 bushels. Estimates of future aid from the government crop report, however, have been the cause of speculation of the scarcity. From the standpoint of the short seller, the situation was alarming. Under these influences the market closed with a considerable loss out the entire day. Shorts received little help from the weekly government report. Allowing that the growing crop is poor, the government report states that the conditions in the Ohio valley are poor and that rainy weather has interfered materially with seeding operations. During the first part of the season there were some purchases made on reports of 3,800,000 bushels in Bradstreet's world's visible supply. The market continued to gain in strength, until within the last few days it has been selling at a heavy profit-taking. After selling up to \$28.77 1/2, July closed at 28 1/2. Clearances of wheat, and flour were equal to 115,400 bushels. The market was 1/2 cent higher compared with 235,400 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 92 cars, against 137 cars last week. The market was 1/2 cent higher.

A bearish government report and generally favorable weather had a depressing effect on the corn market, notwithstanding the fact that the crop report was unchanged to 1,514 1/2 higher, at 89 1/2 1/2. Soad down to 4 1/2 and closed at 4 1/2 1/2. Local receipts were 11 cars, with 4 cars of grain in transit.

Oats were inclined to weakness, mainly on account of profit taking by some big operators. After opening unchanged to 1/2 cent lower, at 35 1/2 1/2, July declined to 35 1/2 and closed at 35 1/2. Local receipts were 12 cars.

Provisions were firm on a moderate demand from packers with only light higher prices at the yards were bull factors